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and promotion efforts, studies relating to the nutritional value of milk and dairy products, and other related efforts to expand demand for dairy products.

§1150.116 Nutrition education.

Nutrition education means those activities intended to broaden the understanding of sound nutritional principles, including the role of milk and dairy products in a balanced diet.

§1150.117 Plans and projects.

Plans and projects means promotion, research and nutrition education plans, studies or projects pursuant to §§ 1150.139, 1150.140 and 1150.161.

§1150.118 Marketing.

Marketing means the sale or other disposition in commerce of dairy products.

§1150.119 Cooperative association.

Cooperative association means any cooperative marketing association of producers which is organized under the provisions of the Act of Congress of February 18, 1922, as amended, known as the "Capper-Volstead Act".

NATIONAL DAIRY PROMOTION AND RESEARCH BOARD

§ 1150.131 Establishment and membership.

- (a) There is hereby established a National Dairy Promotion and Research Board of thirty-six members. For purposes of nominating producers to the Board, the United States shall be divided into thirteen geographic regions and the number of Board members from each region shall be as follows:
- (1) Two members from region number one comprised of the following States: Washington and Oregon.
- (2) Seven members from region number two comprised of the following State: California.
- (3) Three members from region number three comprised of the following States: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Utah, and Wyoming.
- (4) Three members from region number four comprised of the following States: Arkansas, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

- (5) Two members from region number five comprised of the following States: Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.
- (6) Five members from region number six comprised of the following State: Wisconsin.
- (7) Two members from region number seven comprised of the following States: Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, and Nebraska.
- (8) One member from region number eight comprised of the following States: Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee.
- (9) Three members from region number nine comprised of the following States: Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia.
- (10) One member from region number ten comprised of the following States: Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.
- (11) Three members from region number eleven comprised of the following States: Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.
- (12) Three members from region number twelve comprised of the following State: New York.
- (13) One member from region number thirteen comprised of the following States: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont.
- (b) The Board shall be composed of milk producers appointed by the Secretary either from nominations submitted pursuant to §1150.133 or in accordance with §11150.136. A milk producer may be nominated only to represent the region in which such producer's milk is produced.
- (c) At least every five years, and not more than every three years, the Board shall review the geographic distribution of milk production volume throughout the United States and, if warranted, shall recommend to the Secretary a reapportionment of regions and/or a modification of the number of members from regions in order to best reflect the geographic distribution of milk production volume in the United States
- (d) The number of members for each region which shall serve on the Board shall be determined by dividing the total pounds of milk produced in the

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United States for the calendar year previous to the date of review by 36 which provides a factor of pounds of milk per member, and then dividing the total pounds of milk for each region by such factor.

(e) In determining the volume of milk produced in the United States, the Board and the Secretary shall utilize the information received by the Board pursuant to §1150.171 and data published by the Department.

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§1150.132 Term of office.

- (a) The members of the Board shall serve for terms of three years, except that the members appointed to the initial Board shall serve proportionately, for terms of one, two and three years.
- (b) Each member of the Board shall serve until October 31 of the year in which his/her term expires, except that a retiring member may serve until a successor is appointed.
- (c) No member shall serve more than two consecutive terms.

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§1150.133 Nominations.

Nominations for members of the Board shall be made in the following manner:

- (a) Upon effectuation of this provision, the Secretary shall solicit nominations for the initial Board from all eligible organizations. If the Secretary determines that a substantial number of producers are not members of, or their interests are not represented by, such eligible organizations, the Secretary shall also solicit nominations from such producers through general farmer organizations or by other means.
- (b) After the appointment of the initial Board, the Secretary shall announce at least 120 days in advance when a Board member's term is expiring and shall solicit nominations for that position in the manner described in paragraph (a) of this section. Nominations for such position should be submitted to the Secretary not less than

60 days prior to the expiration of such term.

- (c) An eligible organization may submit nominations only for positions on the Board that represent regions in which such eligible organization can establish that it represents a substantial number of producers. If there is more than one Board position for any such region, the organization may submit nominations for each position.
- (d) Where there is more than one eligible organization representing producers in a specific region, they may caucus and jointly nominate producers for each position representing that region on the Board for which a member is to be appointed. If joint agreement is not reached with respect to any such nominations, or if no caucus is held, each eligible organization may submit to the Secretary nominations for each appointment to be made to represent that region.

§ 1150.134 Nominee's agreement to serve.

Any producer nominated to serve on the Board shall file with the Secretary at the time of the nomination a written agreement to:

- (a) Serve on the Board if appointed;
- (b) Disclose any relationship with any organization that operates a qualified State or regional program or has a contractual relationship with the Board; and
- (c) Withdraw from participation in deliberations, decision-making, or voting on matters where paragraph (b) applies.

§1150.135 Appointment.

From the nominations made pursuant to §1150.133, the Secretary shall appoint the members of the Board on the basis of representation provided for in §1150.131(a).

§ 1150.136 Vacancies.

To fill any vacancy occasioned by the death, removal, resignation, or disqualification of any member of the Board, the Secretary shall appoint a successor from the most recent list of nominations for the position or from nominations made by the Board.